

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0031], bridging pages 4 and 5 as follows:

Since the ageing step or annealing is performed after the shaping step it is possible to obtain structural members having considerably reduced levels of distortion or are even essentially distortion-free making the resultant products in particular suitable for aircraft fuselage or wing applications or for a vertical skin with vertical spars for the ~~tale~~ tail of an aircraft. It is believed that the shaped structure, which displays the aforementioned disadvantages due to the shaping step, releases its inner stress or residual throughout the artificially or naturally ageing step which is performed after the shaping step of the alloy plate.